

severe frost, renews itself within a short time. Last winter, in sheltered situations, it endured zero temperature without injury. Here in Oregon it roots freely from hardwood cuttings in open ground when put in during November or December." (Gothard.)

A Himalayan bush, 6 feet high, allied to our Viburnums. The pink flowers backed by red bracts, are borne in dense sprays at the end of fresh wood shoots.

Lilium nepalense (Liliaceae), 52925. **Lily**. From Ootacamund, Bombay Presidency, India. Bulbs presented by Mr. F. H. Butcher, curator, Government Botanic Garden and Parks. A magnificent species of striking beauty, 1 to 3 feet high; it bears nodding bell-shaped flowers of a beautiful soft yellow, the lower half of the gracefully recurved segments being blotched with bright purple-brown and shaded with maroon. (Adapted from Journal of Horticulture and Home Farmer, 3d ser., vol. 54, p. 348.)

Malus laosensis (Malaceae), 52900. From Nice, France. Seeds presented by Dr. A. Robertson Proschowsky, Jardin d'Acclimatation. Seeds of an interesting species of apple found growing wild on the high plateaus of Indo-China at Tranninh at an altitude of 1,500 m. and also on certain mountains of the Tonking. It is a large tree which produces fruit similar in shape, color, and flavor to certain cider pears of Normandy. A drink has been made of it, the color of which recalls the Normandy pear cider. Although this species grows in the dense forest and is uncared for by the mountain people now, it may have been cultivated and improved in the past. (Adapted from Comptes Rendus Hebdomadaires des Séances de L'Académie des Sciences, vol. 170, p. 1129.)

Passiflora resticulata (Passifloraceae), 53180. From Ibarra, Ecuador. Seeds collected by Mr. Wilson Popenoe, agricultural explorer. "No. 58 a. 'Granadilla de hueso.' A good passiflora with fruits about an inch and a half in diameter, perfectly round, and so hard that one must crack them with a hammer, - or a stone. They are just about as hard as the thin-shelled English walnuts grown in California. The fruit is of about the same flavor as that of *Passiflora edulis*." (Popenoe.)

Pleiogynium solandri (Anacardiaceae), 52897. **Burdekin plum**. From Kulara, Queensland. Seeds presented by Mr.